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Who Am I? Who Will I Be?

I'm sure you've heard how important career planning is. How your future depends on it. How you must do it over and over again. How the world is changing and that you have to keep up. That every decision you make is a career decision. Well it's true. But wait - it's not that bad.

Career planning is a process that involves getting to know yourself and getting to know the world around you. By exploring both of these areas you will have a better idea of who you are and where you fit into this crazy world. You may be surprised to find that you have skills you never knew you had, that there are jobs you've never heard of, that there are ways to work and still have fun too.

Here are five easy steps that can get you started on the road to success.

Look at Yourself - What do you value most? What are you good at? What do you enjoy doing? What kind of person are you? How do you learn best?

Look at Your Options - What careers interest you? Where do you get training? Where would you like to work?

Talk to People - Friends, family, teachers, counselors, and employers can help you in your planning.

Make a Plan - Set some short term and long term goals for yourself.

Do It!

Throughout *Job Notes* there are many resources and articles to help you with your career planning.

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